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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

This Preliminary Amendment is filed with the missing parts in the above case, which is based on German application 100 27 782.9, which was filed on 7 June 2000. The fees for the claims should be calculated based on the claims remaining after the entry of this Preliminary Amendment, which results in 51 total and 1 independent claims. Because paragraph numbering and headings have been introduced and the claims have been extensively amended, a substitute specification is attached for the Examiner's convenience, under 37 CFR §1.125.

AMENDMENTS

Amendments to the Disclosure

A verified translation of the specification as initially filed in the PCT application is enclosed. The examination specification provided with this Preliminary Amendment has been altered from the verified translation document received by deleting information above the title, inserting headings according to US practice, and inserting paragraph numbering in lieu of line numbering. These changes do not introduce new matter.

Amendments to the Figures

None at this time.

Amendments to the Abstract:

None at this time

Amendments to the Claims

After the heading "CLAIMS" and before the beginning of the claims, please insert the

words: -- What is claimed is: --